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with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i).

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The FORM PTO-1449 attached hereto identifies as an "Other Document" a "Notification of Reason for Refusal", a copy of which is attached hereto. 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2). The "Notification of Reason for Refusal" was issued by the Japanese Patent Office for a patent application which claims priority based on the above-identified application. Accordingly, the "Notification of Reason for Refusal" is for a foreign application which is a counterpart of the above-identified application. MPEP § 609.04(b)(V), p. 600-154 (Rev. 3, August 2005). The "Notification of Reason for Refusal" refers to JP 2000-168724.

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The USPTO is requested to direct any questions or comments relating to the above-identified application to the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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